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1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Sea Grant
3 College Program Act Amendments of 2002”.

4 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO FINDINGS.**

5 Section 202(a)(6) of the National Sea Grant College
6 Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1121(a)(6)) is amended by strik-
7 ing the period at the end and inserting “, including strong
8 collaborations between Administration scientists and sci-
9 entists at academic institutions.”.

10 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO NATIONAL SEA**
11 **GRANT COLLEGE PROGRAM.**

12 Section 204(d)(3)(B) of the National Sea Grant Col-
13 lege Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1123(d)(3)(B)) is amended
14 by striking “and” after the semicolon at the end of clause
15 (ii) and by adding at the end the following:

16 “(iv) encourage and promote coordi-
17 nation and cooperation between the re-
18 search, education, and outreach programs
19 of the Administration and those of aca-
20 demic institutions; and”.



1 **SEC. 4. COORDINATION.**

2 Section 204 of the National Sea Grant Program Act
3 (33 U.S.C. 1123) is further amended by adding at the
4 end the following new subsection:

5 “(e) COORDINATION.—

6 “(1) The activities of the national sea grant col-
7 lege program shall be coordinated with related ac-
8 tivities of the National Science Foundation, the
9 coastal ocean research program of the National Oce-
10 anic and Atmospheric Administration, and any other
11 related Federal programs in order to avoid duplica-
12 tion of efforts and to ensure that research areas are
13 covered adequately.

14 “(2) Not later than February 15 of each year,
15 the Director of the national sea grant program, the
16 Director of the coastal ocean research program, and
17 the Director of the National Science Foundation
18 shall jointly submit to Congress a report on how the
19 activities of those programs will be coordinated dur-
20 ing the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which
21 the report is submitted. The report shall describe in
22 detail any overlapping research interests among the
23 programs and specify how such research interests
24 will be pursued by the programs in a complementary
25 manner.”.



1 **SEC. 5. TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR SEA GRANT REVIEW**

2 **PANEL.**

3 Section 209(c)(2) of the National Sea Grant College
4 Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1128(c)(2)) is amended by strik-
5 ing the first sentence and inserting the following: “The
6 term of office of a voting member of the panel shall be
7 3 years for a member appointed before the date of enact-
8 ment of the National Sea Grant College Program Act
9 Amendments of 2002, and 4 years for a member ap-
10 pointed or reappointed after the date of enactment of the
11 National Sea Grant College Program Act Amendments of
12 2002. The Director may extend the term of office of a
13 voting member of the panel appointed before the date of
14 enactment of the National Sea Grant College Program Act
15 Amendments of 2002 by up to 1 year.”.

16 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsections (a) and (b) of section
18 212 of the National Sea Grant College Program Act (33
19 U.S.C. 1131) are amended to read as follows:

20 “(a) AUTHORIZATION.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
22 appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this
23 title—

24 “(A) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2003;

25 “(B) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2004;

26 “(C) \$77,500,000 for fiscal year 2005;



1 “(D) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2006;

2 “(E) \$82,500,000 for fiscal year 2007; and

3 “(F) \$85,000,000 for fiscal year 2008.

4 “(2) ZEBRA MUSSEL, OYSTER, AND HARMFUL
5 ALGAL BLOOM RESEARCH.—In addition to the
6 amount authorized under paragraph (1), there is au-
7 thorized to be appropriated for each of fiscal years
8 2003 through 2008—

9 “(A) \$5,000,000 for competitive grants for
10 university research on the zebra mussel biology
11 and control;

12 “(B) \$5,000,000 for competitive grants for
13 university research on oyster diseases, oyster
14 restoration, and oyster-related human health
15 risks; and

16 “(C) \$5,000,000 for competitive grants for
17 university research on the biology, prevention,
18 and forecasting of harmful algal blooms, includ-
19 ing *Pfiesteria piscicida*.

20 “(b) LIMITATIONS.—

21 “(1) ADMINISTRATION.—There may not be
22 used for administration of programs under this title
23 in a fiscal year more than 5 percent of the lesser
24 of—



1 “(A) the amount authorized to be appro-
2 priated under this title for the fiscal year; or

3 “(B) the amount appropriated under this
4 title for the fiscal year.

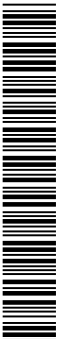
5 “(2) USE FOR OTHER OFFICES OR PRO-
6 GRAMS.—Sums appropriated under the authority of
7 subsection (a)(2) shall not be available for adminis-
8 tration of this title by the National Sea Grant Of-
9 fice, for any other Administration or department
10 program, or for any other administrative expenses.”.

11 (b) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—Such section is fur-
12 ther amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
13 following:

14 “(c) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—In any fiscal year
15 in which the appropriations made pursuant to subsection
16 (a)(1) exceed the amounts appropriated for fiscal year
17 2002 for the purposes described in such subsection, the
18 Secretary shall distribute the excess amounts (except
19 amounts used for the administration of programs) solely
20 to—

21 “(1) State sea grant programs on a merit re-
22 viewed, competitive basis to reward programs that
23 are best managed and produce the highest quality
24 research;

25 “(2) national strategic initiatives; or



1 “(3) both.”.

